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body, this is the A bill to provide the funding to implement LB 626, which is the personal service contract legislation that we just discussed and passed onto Final Reading again yesterday. With the amendment that was attached to the bill, this A bill will be reduced. That amendment reduced the fiscal note probably close to \$70,000. It had some changes that reduce it to the point where the fiscal note should actually be for Fiscal Year 2003 and 2004. The General Fund impact would be \$18,546. That will be adjusted and reflected when we get the Final Reading bill and this A bill would be amended. With that, I would ask for your support on the bill. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Preister. You've heard the opening on advancement of LB 626A. We're now open for discussion on that motion. Senator Preister, there are no lights on. He waives the opportunity to close. The question before the body is advancement of LB 626A to E & R Initial. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. We're voting on advancement of LB 626A to E & R Initial. Have you all voted who wish to? Record please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 35 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 626A.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion was successful. Mr. Clerk, next item.

CLERK: LB 790A by Senator Landis. (Read title.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Landis, you're recognized to open on advancement of LB 790A to E & R Initial.

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, it's been awhile since the number LB 790 has come up on the floor. We've been working on it off the floor with all the parties and, in fact, we have their acquiescence and agreement to a bill which will be coming up a little bit later today. It has the approval of M.U.D., Aquila, KM, Northwestern Natural Gas, the League, the power pool, and all the interested parties. However, one of the things that has to happen is we have now a system under this for natural gas regulation of which the user,